

REMARKS

The following remarks are being submitted as a full and complete response to the telephone conference held with the Examiner on May 10, 2005. In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, the Examiner is respectfully requested to proceed with examination of the application on the merits, to indicate the allowability of the claims, and to pass this case to issue.

Restriction Requirement

In response to the Examiner's telephone restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect the continued prosecution of the invention identified as Group I, set forth in claims 1-13 directed to a device, without traverse. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected invention, as may be applicable.

Claim Amendments

Prior to the examination on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the claims as outlined above. It is submitted that no new matter is being introduced into the application through the filing of this Preliminary Amendment.

Conclusion

Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully solicited. Should there be any outstanding issues requiring discussion that would further the prosecution and allowance of the above-captioned application, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the address and phone number indicated below.

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